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ABSTRACT

Dithiol compounds and derivatives thereof are disclosed. The agents are useful for treating ocular disease, especially presbyopia and cataract. Also disclosed are novel mercaptan compounds, particularly those including a photolabile protecting group, as well as methods of using the compounds for the prevention and treatment of ocular damage and disease.

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